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Donatas Vainalavicius, Second Secretary in the MFA's Arms Control and Terrorism Prevention Division, told us on September 11 that the GOL wants to keep Iran free of nuclear weapons and always welcomes information relating to that topic from the USG. He added that there is great interest in EU circles about next steps regarding Iran. The EU, however, has no clear or consensus position. He said the GOL favors a strong stance on Iran. He added that his division at MFA has good relations with private firms that market high technology products or services, such as lasers or nuclear plant expertise, and all relevant companies are aware of the GOL's concern with any sort of business that could be related to nuclear technologies vis-a-vis Iran. CLOUD